



PATENT

Attorney Docket No. 42027

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re: John J. WILLIAMS JR ET AL.

Group Art Unit: 2165

Application No. 10/811,044

Examiner: HICKS, Michael J

Confirmation No. 9536

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For: Bypassing Native Storage Operations  
By Communicating Protected Data  
Within Locking Messages Using a  
Lock Manager Independent of the  
Storage Mechanism

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## COMMENTS ON NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY

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Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Notice of Allowance and Fee(s) Due mailed July 24, 2009, there are three errors in the Examiner's amendments, as discussed hereinafter. Note, Applicants confirmed that these were in fact errors with Examiner Hicks in a brief telephone conversation on Aug. 5, 2009.

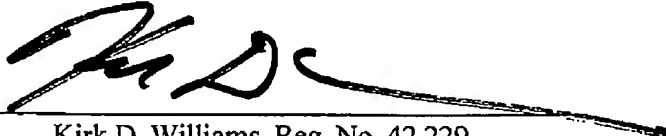
1. On page 2, the second paragraph labeled "a)": Instead of "In Line 10 of Claim 1", the amendment should be "In Line 1 of Claim 8".
2. On page 2, the paragraph labeled "c)" amending line 1 of Claim 8 should be deleted, as to which no such amendment was agreed, and the amendment doesn't make sense for claim 8. It appears to be a cut & paste typographical error.
3. On page 4, the paragraph labeled "p)" should amend line 3, not line 103.

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Applicants believe no fee is due in connection with these comments, however, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fee associated with this paper to Deposit Account No. 501430.

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